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chords

From friendly shores across the watery
main?

It is the wail of innocent children slain.

Of women slaughtered by inhuman hordes.

Where is the tongue that may to deeds lend
words

As must for aye a nation's honour stain?

Decide that 'ere to rep at now must be
vain.

The drum is beating—Vengeance is the
Lord's.

O land of song, how art thou fallen low!

Was it not thou, O on whom that gavest birth
To Master Music-Makers of the earth?

Absent before the eyes of friend and foe,
Go, hide in shame, O Germany, thy head,

Till thou again prove worthy of thy Dead.

GEORGE HENSCHEL.

The following are the results of crushing
operations at Raub for the four weeks
ending 30th ult: Bukit Koman: stone
crushed 0,275 tons, gold obtained 895 ozs.,
average per ton 2.855 dwts. Bukit
Malacca: stone crushed 3,781 tons, gold
obtained 370 ozs., average per ton 1,037
dwts.

The Germans are said to have con-
sidered the employment of old-fashioned
chain-shot, with hooks on each link of the
chain, as an implement for destroying
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8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.

10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.

11.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.

12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

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THE NATIONAL LOAN OF THE
THIRD YEAR OF THE
REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

SIXTEEN MILLION DOLLARS

(\$16,000,000)

AND

SUPPLEMENTARY ISSUE OF EIGHT

MILLION DOLLARS (\$8,000,000).

NOTICE is hereby given to Subscribers

that arrangements have been made

by the Chinese Government to hand to the

Underwritten each month the sum of

Dollars One Hundred and Twenty Thousand

(\$120,000) from the resources as signed

under the Loan Regulations to the service

of these Loans. Loan service Accounts

have been opened in the name of the

Underwritten with the Bank of China and

the Bank of Communications, into which

these monthly instalments will be paid

as received, and these accounts will

be drawn on to meet the half-yearly

interest Coupons payable through the

intermediary of the above-named Banks.

The first interest instalment for the

month of January has been duly received

and brought to account.

SUBSCRIBERS to the Supplementary

Issue of Eight Million Dollars (\$8,000,000)

are further notified that in accordance with

Article II of the Loan Regulations the full

amount of Dollars Four Hundred and

Eighty Thousand (\$480,000), being the

amount of interest on the loan for one

year, has been duly raised by the Ministry

of Finance and the Ministry of Com-

munications and has been placed on fixed

deposits in the name of the Underwritten

with the Bank of China and the Bank of

Communications, as a permanent guarantee

for the interest on the loan.

F. A. AGLEN,

Inspector General of Customs

and Vice-Chairman of the Bureau

of National Loans.

Inspector General of Customs,

Peking, 27th January, 1915.

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II—Fire Funds 3,880,114

III—Life & Annuity Funds 16,128,160

Sinking Fund Account 88,612

\$23,561,282

Revenue Fire Branch 2,567,158

Life and Annuity Branches 1,973,268

Revenue Marine Department 282,692

Other Receipts 430,198

\$5,233,312

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THE DIARY.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.

9 p.m. — "The Grosvenor" at the Theatre Royal.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

2.20 p.m. — Auction of Teakwood and Blackwood Furniture etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, February 13 —
8 p.m. — Kowloon Cricket Club's Annual Dinner.
11 a.m. — Auction of Wines, Spirits, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.
11 a.m. — Auction of Jewellery at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

SATURDAY, Feb. 13 & MONDAY, Feb. 15 —
H.K. Cricket Club v. K. Cricket Club on H.K. Ground.

SUNDAY, February 14 —
St. Valentine's Day.
Chinese New Year Day.

MONDAY, February 15 —
Chinese New Year Holiday.
Opening Night of the Italian Grand Opera.

MONDAY, Feb. 15 & TUESDAY, Feb. 16 —
6 p.m. — Concert at Italian Concert in aid of Belgian Relief Fund.

TUESDAY, February 16 —
General Holiday.

WEDNESDAY, February 17 —
All Wednesday.

THURSDAY, February 18 —
2 p.m. — Auction of a Motor Car for benefit of Prince of Wales Fund, at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

SATURDAY, February 20 —
Noon — Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Meeting.

MON., 22, TUES., 23 & WED., Feb. 24 —
Hongkong Jockey Club Race Meeting.

THURSDAY, February 25 —
Entries close for the Annual Flower and Vegetable Show.

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SUPERIORITY OF BRITISH AIRCRAFT.

In the course of his interesting speech in the House of Commons on Monday, Mr. Tennant, the Under Secretary for War, referred in eulogistic terms to the excellent work done by British aircraft in the war and expressed the hope that soon we would have all British aircraft to continue on our successful career. From another quarter we learn that the reports as to the performance of the aircraft and more particularly the aeroplanes, of the different belligerent armies are at present very meagre and incomplete. However, it would appear from the observations of those best qualified to judge that the British machines are by no means backward, and in many important respects are superior both to those of the enemy and to those of our Allies.

The main features in which we at present possess ascendancy are more especially those in which the flying capacity of the machine, rather than its more essentially fighting quality, is concerned. Thus superiority may be claimed for the British aeroplanes: firstly, as being better aerodynamically, that is to say, for given horse-power and weight they possess a greater speed and climbing power; secondly, they are more stable, in fact, our present-day machines are definitely automatically or inherently stable; thirdly, they have a higher factor of safety than any of their Continental rivals and are far more robust as to nighting gear; and, fourthly, they are more weatherproof. In short, they are better fitted to service conditions. Beyond this, the latest model turned out by the Royal Aircraft Factory is by far the fastest machine in the world, being some ten or twenty miles per hour faster than anything that the Continent can show. On the other hand, on the outbreak of hostilities we found ourselves without a thoroughly satisfactory fighting or gun-carrying type of machine—it is one matter to be able to mount a gun on an aeroplane, and quite another to design and construct machines expressly for that purpose. It is, indeed, doubtful whether any really satisfactory gun-carrying aeroplane existed at all, but it is in any case precisely in this direction that our own air service has found itself most lacking. In brief, it may fairly and undoubtedly be claimed that so far as the reconnaissance machine is concerned, the British aircraft are more than able to hold their own with those of the other European nations.

In the main the "proprietary" machines built by private firms have lacked the all-round qualities of those turned out by the Government factory, or under contract to the Royal Aircraft Factory specification. In some cases they have failed from a constructional standpoint; under the exacting conditions of service the nighting chassis have sometimes proved inadequate; in other cases the weather-proof qualities of the "proprietary" machines have been found deficient. These defects have shown themselves amongst British-built machines, but also some of the best

known of the French makes have failed, or at least are reported to have done so. It is a very sorry figure when submitted to the rigorous test of service conditions in real warfare. Possibly it was not anticipated (as it appears to be the case) that machines would be required to remain permanently in the open night and day, shelter being the exception rather than the rule. It is under these conditions that our own aircraft factory machines have exhibited an unrivalled robustness. On behalf of the "proprietary" makes of machine, however, it must be said that some of the most notable of the exploits performed by the Naval Air Service (such as the raids on Dusseldorf and Friedrichshafen) have been performed by such machines, which appears to show that merely from the point of view of flying they are fully worthy of the service and a credit to their designers and constructors.

It is unquestionable that the aircraft section of our army has surpassed the most sanguine expectations and there is abundant proof that it will yet gain fresh laurels if the occasion arises.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Chanman, with the Siberian mail, arrived this morning but has been held up outside the harbour all day by the closure of the port owing to fog.

The authorities in Egypt, says a contemporary, are satisfied that the defences of the Suez Canal are impregnable, especially against troops exhausted by a long desert march and not supplied with heavy artillery.

An armed robbery was perpetrated this morning at a house in Shanghai Street, Yau-mat. Particulars are not yet to hand except that it is stated that four entered the house. One of the robbers carried a revolver and threatened the inmates. The robbers escaped with clothing and jewellery.

P. C. Fallon, of the Yau-mat Police, made a stout capture yesterday morning. Five twenty minutes he watched four men at the rear of a house in Shanghai Street remove the door posts and the door, apparently with the object of committing a robbery. He sprang upon them and seized one man who struggled desperately as he was being taken into custody and at the station. He was brought before the Court this morning, charged with attempted burglary and remanded for a week.

ACTION BY MESSRS WATSON AND CO.

Discussion of a Technical Point

The case was resumed this morning, before Mr. Wood, in which a Chinese was charged with receiving a quantity of stolen patent medicine, the property of Messrs. Watson and Co., Ltd.

Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. Stephens, appeared to prosecute and Mr. Bowley defended. Prior to the evidence, Mr. Bowley asked that the charge of larceny against another man might be taken first. He understood that the Magistrate had provisionally said that he would take the receiving charge first. He did not think that it would be for him (Mr. Bowley) to show justification for the application but that the prosecution should do so.

Mr. Wood asked Mr. Bowley if it was not for him to show justification. He thought the prosecution had a right to say which case should be taken first. Mr. Bowley: This is the first time I have ever heard of such a precedent as this. Mr. Wood refused the application.

Mr. Bowley claimed the right that the prosecution should show some reason why it should depart from the usual practice. The Magistrate still refused the application.

Mr. Bowley then asked his Worship to consider the case further. There could be no conviction for receiving stolen goods until it was proved that the goods were stolen. That was the case in this case. He had been given a chance to be taken first. They had a charge of stealing and the case against him should be taken first.

Mr. Wood said that he did not think so. Mr. Bowley then submitted that he was entitled to know the reason why the prosecution wished to proceed with the receiving case.

Mr. Wood: I don't think you are entitled to ask for that. Mr. Bowley persisted in his point and said the application on behalf of the prosecution was made as a ruse and he was entitled to know the grounds.

Mr. Wood said that he only granted the application provisionally. Mr. Bowley asked for the transfer of the case to Mr. Hazeled.

Mr. Stephens said that when he made the application he was careful to state no grounds and make no comment for doing so because the defendant's solicitor was not present.

Mr. Wood: The interview was quite informal. Mr. Bowley pointed out that they had a statement that no grounds were given and if no grounds were made for the application there was no reason why they should alter the usual practice. It was extraordinary that arrangements should be made and no reasons given.

Mr. Bowley went on to argue on the grounds of prejudice and asked that the case might be adjourned in order that he might instruct counsel who would be able to attend in the case on the day for which it was originally fixed.

Mr. Wood refused to grant an adjournment.

Evidence of the prisoner having taken delivery of the goods was then given.

The hearing was adjourned until tomorrow afternoon.

ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

Presentation to Mrs. Claxton.

Last night Dr. Lander, Bishop of Victoria, presented the certificates and prizes gained by the students of St. Paul's College. The presentation took place in the college compound, and was attended by seven or eight hundred boys, parents and friends, who were entertained with two Chinese plays by the students, musical items and a short sketch in English. The natural manner in which the artists emphasized the characters entrusted to them was admirable and made the items exceedingly interesting.

Prior to the distribution of the awards the senior boy of the school Chan Hing Wa, presented to Mrs. Claxton, who is shortly leaving for England, a silver rose bowl and basket of silk, together with a bouquet of beautiful roses. The presentation was made on behalf of the whole of the students who all regretted Mrs. Claxton's departure and wished her a speedy recovery of her former good health and a safe return to her position in the College.

At the presentation of awards there were on the platform, in addition to the Bishop, the Rev. A. D. Stewart and the Rev. W. T. Featherstone.

The Rev. A. D. Stewart presented the following report:

As we bring to a close the sixth year of this school's existence, it is with feelings of deepest thankfulness that we present a report which can record steady progress in each department of the school's activities.

ATTENDANCE.—In spite of the alarm of war, our numbers have remained steady throughout the year. The largest enrollment at any one time was 282, which is almost exactly the same as last year. Under this heading we may note that of the original hundred of boys who entered the school six years ago, there are still eight with us. Of these, Chang, the King, has further added to his record of attendance by completing a full six years in which he has not missed a single day.

The attendance all through the school has been good. Twenty-five students have not missed a single day throughout the year, and a good number of others have only just failed to attain that record.

EXERCISES.—Steady progress has been made in the work of each class. In several cases there has been marked and rapid advance. The results of the Oxford Local Examinations, held in July, have quite surpassed anything we have achieved before. Of twenty-five candidates who sat for the examination, twenty-three passed. In the Senior Division three out of four passed, two securing distinction in Chinese. In the Junior Division nine passed out of eleven.

Of these, all three candidates who were eligible for Honours obtained Third Class Honours, while four distinctions in Chinese and one in Religious Knowledge were also secured. In the Preliminary Division, eleven passed, none failing. Special mention should be made of the Distinction in Religious Knowledge. Early in the year an old boy of this College who, with commendable modesty wishes to remain anonymous, offered a prize of \$50 to any student in the College who should secure a Distinction in Religious Knowledge in the forthcoming Oxford Examinations. No student is indeed to be congratulated, not only on his \$50 prize, but also upon obtaining a distinction which has rarely been won by a Chinese boy in Hongkong. Another boy who did remarkably well was Chan Hing Wa, who was overage for Honours or Distinctions. Detailed results show that he obtained marks sufficient for distinction in one section of the Religious Knowledge, in English Text, English History, and Chinese. A further success was won by Ma Tung Cheung, the only student from this school to enter for the Hongkong University Matriculation, who carried off the King Edward Scholarship. In addition to the usual school subjects, we have also had post-hand and typewriting during the past year, which we believe will be of real value to those who are about to go into business.

STAFF.—The results of the examinations are a witness in themselves of the excellent work of the staff, who deserve to be heartily congratulated on the success of their efforts. There have been the usual changes during the year. At midsummer, Mr. Coppell left for work in Canton, and his place has been taken by the Bishop's Chaplain, the Rev. W. T. Featherstone, who has had considerable experience of educational work in England. Another experienced master, Mr. Lam Shui In, has also joined the staff. It is with much regret that we relinquish the services of Mrs. Claxton, who has rendered invaluable help to the school during the 21 years that she has been in the staff. We are glad to know that the Rev. N. C. Pope will again be able to give some help in the teaching, as he did some two years ago.

TEACHERS.—The past year saw us, for the first time, with a Sixth Form. After the summer holidays, several of those joined the staff as pupil-teachers.

BEWARE OF COLDS.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Robert Dollar left for Shanghai to-day.

Mr. H. P. Dudley (late of the Hongkong Bank, Singapore), has joined D. Company, 7th Battalion, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, and is now training at the Curragh.

THE WEST RIVER FLOODS.

The Committee of the Kwong Tung Flood Relief Bazaar have presented a testimonial in recognition of "valuable assistance" rendered. The testimonial, tastefully framed, is in the form of a lithographed inscription with an illustration of part of the flooded area on top. Along with the other local newspapers, and others, we have been honoured with a copy of the testimonial.

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Since then, several more have joined in the same capacity, and are giving invaluable help both in this school and also at our Junior School in Hollywood Road. We now have altogether twelve of our old boys on the staff of these two schools.

ATHLETICS.—Again this year there have been many successes in this department. Swimming, tennis and volleyball were fully indulged in during the first half of the year. The school aquatic sports were held in July, producing a larger number of entries than ever before. The Championship was easily won by Li Kai Tung. During the season 92 boys passed the swimming test. We were second in the team meet open to all the schools of Hongkong, at the Queen's College Annual Aquatic Sports. Last year we were in for the final of the Schools Football League, and this year we expect the same, as we have so far an unbroken series of successes on the football field.

CHARACTER BUILDING.—In such a school as this, we hold the building up of character to be of first importance, and it is cause for much thankfulness that the efforts made in this direction have not been in vain. There has been an increased willingness and desire to study the Holy Scriptures. A voluntary Bible Class, held on Sunday afternoons, has had an average attendance of over twenty. The Scripture Union has nearly trebled its numbers, having a membership of close upon ninety. A Sunday School, recently started, has about fifty scholars, with five of the senior boys as teachers. In more active directions, too, we can report progress. A small band of the senior boys has been going week by week to a preaching hall in the centre of the city, and they have addressed gatherings of men, often numbering close upon two hundred. Contributions have also been made during the year towards the support of a Foundling Home and country schools.

HOTEL.—A new venture last year was the opening of a hotel in China Road. It has quite fulfilled our expectations, and has had an average of over twenty boarders since it was opened. Its object is to provide a home, healthy, both physically and morally, for boys who otherwise might find themselves in very undesirable places.

Before closing this report I wish to express our thanks both to the liberal donor of the \$50 prize, and also to his Lordship the Bishop of Victoria for a generous gift of prize books, and also for his kindness in being present to-night to distribute the prizes. The School will reopen on Thursday, February 25th.

The Bishop, in making the presentation of prizes, mentioned that Dr. W. Ting Fung was to have discharged that office but he was unable to do so because the boat on which he was a passenger had not arrived in Hongkong. Dr. W. Ting Fung was an old St. Paul's College boy, and the Bishop expressed the hope that many other old boys would become equally as eminent as the Doctor. Dr. Lander congratulated the C.M.S. on the excellence of the report, and added that the continued success of the college was a standing witness to the great and good work of the Rev. A. D. Stewart, his sister, and brother.

PRIZE WINNERS.

FORM DECEES.

CHEUNG NAG.

Form VI: Li Kai Tung, Ng Ka Kuo.

Form Va: Wong Tai On, Chan Yan Tin.

Form Vb: Ng Ka Wing, P. Sui Cheung.

Prelim: Chan Yan Tin, Leung Hui Lok (Commercial).

Form IVa: Ip Sui Cheung, Wong Yan Sun.

Form IVb: Liu Wa Sun, Lau Tsun Lam.

Form IIIa: Chin, But.

Form IIIb: Ho Kuo, Leung Kam Woo.

Form IIa: Mak Kwok.

Form IIb: Tsui Cham Sing, Li Kai To.

Form Ia: Chan Fung.

Form Ib: Ho To Chung, Lau Yu Nam.

Form Ic: Chan Tak Kung.

SPECIAL PRIZES.—Religious knowledge: Ng Ka Kuo; six years unbroken attendance: Chung Ue Kong.

THE CHINESE AND WAR.

REV. T. W. PEARCE ON "YELLOW PERIL" BOOBY.

"The Chinese and War." What they think and why? was the title of an interesting lecture given by the Rev. T. W. Pearce of the London Mission at the Union Church Hall last evening.

War, said the lecturer, never had sacred sanctions for the Chinese. Mencius had said that he who waged war sought for territory and filled the wastes with dead bodies was deserving of the highest punishment. The conservative section of the Chinese race, upon whom the classics were binding, were the same to-day as ever they were. China was the most unprogressive nation in the world, and she had been conquered again and again, but where were her conquerors in comparison with China to-day—in point of solidarity, and of strength as a nation? The Chinese had been military on paper. He knew of at least one Military Manual—by a Chinese—written in 1860, but that dealt with instructions for marching, told the reader that maps of the country must be provided, that spies must be carefully selected, and that conduct must be such as to lead the enemy to believe that they were properly when travelling through other countries.

Mr. Pearce thought we were all proud of the place of the soldier in our scheme of things to-day. There was no doubt as to the affection of the country for the soldier who was fighting for his native land. He thought the noblest aspect of the whole situation was the humanity of the countries that provided Red Cross arrangements and hospitals, and a hundred means of alleviating the lot of the soldiers. But what did they think of the attitude of the Chinese towards their fighting men? He thought it would be like to see a soldier in China. The lecturer kept contemptuously of the Chinese soldier as he first knew him. One author had described him as "a lost in a pot." How could one expect them to be a fighting race, and how many decades, how many generations, did they think it would take for them to become really a "Yellow Peril" for military purposes? He did not deny that they looked up to a knight in their own time to-day, but it would be decades before they reached anything like the pitch of efficiency.

Dealing with the Chinese newspaper, the lecturer said that the war news was as good as good, he thought, it was as accurate, and as well-informed as our own papers were. He informed daily with keenest zest and diversion the strange and triumphs of the Chinese editors accurately to name the various places in the scenes of operations, striving to make their language suit a purpose it had not served before. Some of these newspapers were making new history for China by their contentions to-day.

One outstanding thing in the Chinese mind was the change of role in Taishan. Nobody supposed that the Chinese wanted Germany there, but the Chinese had come to the conclusion that they knew the limits of German occupation, but that they did not know the limits of Japanese occupation. What bitterness appeared in those newspapers on the subject of the war was a reference to the Japanese occupation of Tsingtao. Of course the Chinese said China was neutral because she cannot help herself. He did not think that China would be stimulated to become excessively military, or that she would become a military power. He believed China had representatives at the peace conference, and he thought they would be of much value to them in their own wars. So far from regarding China as a yellow peril, he thought that she was giving back to the world the golden promise of peace. The forces for peace were nowhere more strong than in China. The forces that helped to carry humanity forward toward its final goal. With her great resources, the patient enterprise of her loving people, he thought China was a force to take side by side with the allied nations of the West, but he did not think she was a force either for or against in the great world of military struggle.

CANTON ITEMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OFFICIAL CHANGES.

Mr. Tang Yue Kwong, the Canton Chief of Police, has tendered his resignation, which has been duly accepted. He is to be superseded by a prominent Hong Kong official who will assume his new duties in about two weeks.

Official orders have also been received whereby the Commissioners of Finance in Canton and Ngtai are to exchange places. When the exchange is to be made has not yet been announced.

OFFICIAL EXAMINATIONS.

The Head Master of the Government School has announced at Governor Lee's request that an examination will be held at the Governor's Yamen on the 10th inst. for all who wish to compete for appointments as Magistrates or Assistant Magistrates. A special invitation is tendered to those who have previously held such positions and were not discharged for neglect of duty.

MERCHANT VOLUNTEERS' PATROL.

The Merchant Volunteer corps, Nos. 1 to 10 inclusive, have been called out and placed on patrol duty in various parts of the city. This action was deemed necessary in view of the approach of the New Year, a time when all merchants are handling far larger sums of money than usual.

SUBVOLTAGE KIDNAPERS.

A short time ago ten surveyors were sent from Canton to act with others from Kwang Si in locating cool mines in the latter province. As they entered a deep forest they were suddenly seized by highway men and held for ransom. A messenger was sent who telegraphed to Governor Lung the plight of the surveyors. "In order not to delay the work," the General quickly telegraphed an answer according to the demands of the outlaws. If such an outrage were to be perpetrated in almost any other country on earth I fancy the Government would send, if need be, every soldier in the land to hunt down and punish such high-handed miscreants, but in Canton, it seems the valiant defenders of the government are too busy searching for bombs in the picks of the coolies going into the city to have time to notice such a little thing as the bold abduction of a few idle men on duty.

DON'T RISK PNEUMONIA.

GET rid of every cold as quickly as possible. It is the forerunner of all pulmonary trouble, and pneumonia may develop in a few hours. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is a simple thing to do, but the effect is marvellous. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

TRAINING NOTES.

The continued drier weather has improved the grass course and both tracks were fast this morning. The hurdles were again just off the rail. The weather conditions were practically the same as yesterday but with the absence of any breeze.

Perhaps went nicely over a mile and a quarter in 2.52, last quarter 52. Winning Hazard did not go well. This pony has gone off, both in style and speed. He took 2.31 for a mile, last quarter 53.5. Thum and Lorenzo went together, and both finish strong, there being very little between them. The last quarter was covered in 31.2. Maybey, with a light blanket on, beat Shabrang over a mile and a half. They started slowly but the last half was negotiated in 1.03.3. Last quarter 52.3. Kuri, reported to be off his feed, was sent a half mile, which he disposed of in 31.3, 30.2-1.02. Wild Cat put up a fast three-quarters; 53.3, 31.1, 31.4-1.03.3, but did not finish in as good style as on previous occasions. English Chief's quarters for the same distance were 56.3, 32.2, 30.2-1.09.2. He had Dornes (bird) to accompany him over the last three furlongs. Canadian Chief and New Zealand Chief were sent together over three quarters. The black finished in a canter, while the grey was hard ridden down the straight. Whiteboy beat Bayard over three quarters. The former was hard held till about twenty yards from home when his rider let him out. Sammie, with a blanket on, did a better job, than any of his former attempts. Though his full time for the mile and a half was 2.52, his last half was 1.06, last quarter 32.2. July Jack also gave an improved performance. He finished tired but was still going 2.57, last quarter 34. His companion, Turpin, was about "busted" at the finish, last quarter 36.1. Sir Calidore did a fast three quarters, going easily, 1.36, last half 1.03.2, last quarter 31.2. Thurlston did the best gallop of the morning amongst the Subs; three quarters 1.33.3, last quarter 31.2, leaving poor old Joss Mighty a long way in the race.

The times taken will be found on page 3.

SPORTING.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The following are the courses arranged for the remaining Club Championship races to be sailed in connection with the above club:

HANDICAP CLASS.

Seventh race to be sailed on 20th February, 1915. Troca Rock (S) Kowloon Rock (S) Channel Rock (S) Distance 10.1 miles. Eighth race to be sailed on 26th March. 1915. Mark Bury Quarry (S) Channel Rock (S) Lyseman Beacon (S) Distance 9.2 miles. Ninth race to be sailed on 20th March, 1915. Datum Rock (S) Distance 14.8 miles. (Subject to alteration).

ONE-DESIGN CLASS.

Seventh race to be sailed on 20th Feb. 1915. Kowloon Rock (P) North Fairway Buoy (P) Distance 9 miles.</

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

USE OF THE NEUTRAL FLAG

ENTHUSIASM IN RUSSIA: DEPRESSION IN PRUSSIA.

GERMANS LOSE HEAVILY IN POLAND.

THE STRUGGLE IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM.

London, Feb. 10, 12.50 a.m.
The Paris evening official statement says:—
Nothing important has been reported. We blew up a mine gallery where the enemy were working in front of Fay, south-west of Peronne.

CANNONADING AND BOMBARDING IN ARGONNE.

London, Feb. 11, 12.55 a.m.
The Paris evening communique states: We exploded three mines on Tuesday night at Labonneville and occupied the ravines caused by the explosion, despite a counter-attack which we repulsed with the bayonet.
In the Argonne there has been a cannonade and bomb-dropping by both sides, particularly in the regions of Belancourt and Baguelatte. The Germans made a violent but fruitless attack upon Mirfleur.
Our outposts easily repulsed a German attack in Lormes on the north side of Puy-en-Arce, and a small affair at Montmoyville ended in our Hussars pursuing the enemy.
An attack by the Germans upon Fontenelle in the Vosges was repulsed.

London, Feb. 10, 4.49 a.m.
A Paris communique says: Only artillery engagements of some intensity and a small infantry affair occurred in the north-east of Nanterville. Our detachments drove back the enemy's posts from Remanbois.

THE FIGHTING ON THE EASTERN FRONT.

GERMANS LOSE TENS OF THOUSANDS.

London, Feb. 10, 5.15 a.m.
A Petrograd communique states that the Germans, who have been gradually concentrating fresh troops in East Prussia, took a strong offensive on the 7th inst. on the front formed by Hirsch and Johannsburg, delivering simultaneous attacks on two wings, namely, almost exactly at Laskchen and the Rypine railways. We repulsed the former, almost exterminating a battalion, and our cavalry, after the latter attack, concentrated towards Serpe.
The enemy undertook no active operations on the left bank of the Vistula on the 8th inst.
Judging from the abandoned corpses, they apparently lost tens of thousands during the six days of the attacks on Borjmo, Goumize, and Volishidlowka.

CONTINUED FIGHTING IN EAST PRUSSIA AND THE CARPATHIANS.

London, Feb. 11, 1.30 a.m.
A Petrograd communique states that fighting continued at Laskchen, Roguponen and Arsenbala in East Prussia.
Nothing important elsewhere, on the right bank of the Vistula or on the left bank.
The Russians are pressing the enemy in the districts of Dikline, Lunkow and Usjak.
In the Carpathians, we continue to progress and have captured another 1,523 prisoners, several machine-guns and one mortar.

ENTHUSIASM IN RUSSIA.

CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS.

London, Feb. 10, 6.10 a.m.
The Russian Premier, M. Goremykin, (at the opening of the Duma, which took place yesterday amid scenes of great enthusiasm) said that the Russian people were now absolutely convinced of their final triumph. The Premier added that Russia had not yet exerted her full strength.
M. Sazonoff, the Foreign Secretary, dwelt on the unanimity of the Allies, which, he said, would continue till victory was assured. He emphasised the cordiality of Russia's relations with Greece and Roumania, and referred to the fact that the public opinion of non-combatant countries whose interests were on the side of the Entente had been already pronounced in favour of embracing the cause of Russia and the Allies, but it was for their Governments alone to take the final decision, and not miss the opportunity of realising their national aspirations. M. Sazonoff said that the relations between Great Britain and Russia in regard to Persia were more cordial than ever. He paid a tribute to the co-operation of Japan, whose relations with China were not contrary to Russian interests. The Minister said he hoped shortly to announce the conclusion of a triple Russo-Chinese-Mongolian Treaty.
In the course of the proceedings the members frequently cheered the British, French, and Japanese Ambassadors, who were in the Gallery.

A REMARKABLE CONTRAST.

London, Feb. 10, 1.25 p.m.
Reuter's Petrograd correspondent telegraphs that the enthusiasm in the Duma is in great contrast to the spirit prevailing in the Prussian Diet.
The Duma unanimously resolved to salute the glorious exploits of the soldiers and sailors, and to send to the Allies most cordial greetings and the declaration of Russia's inflexible determination to carry on the war until conditions are imposed upon the enemy which shall ensure the peace of Europe and the restoration of right and justice.
Speakers on behalf of the peasants said that the latter were willing to make any sacrifice in order to remove the German menace. The Liberal member, M. Miliukoff, said he was convinced that in good time Russia would be guaranteed the acquisition of the Straits and Constantinople, both militarily and diplomatically. The statement was received with a loud and prolonged outburst of cheering.

BY TELEGRAPH.

GERMAN SOCIALISTS DISSATISFIED.

RE-OPENING OF THE DIET.

London, Feb. 9.
For the re-opening of the Prussian Diet, there was a crowded attendance. A Socialist member, Herr Hirsch, demanded a reform policy for workmen, and declared that the termination of the war was demanded by all peoples. A Conservative then appealed for unity, whereupon the Socialist leader, Dr. Liebknecht, interrupted with the remark: "You have no right to speak in the name of the people."
Great commotion followed.

SOLIDITY OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

RESOURCES NOT YET CALLED INTO PLAY.

London, Feb. 10, 10.15 p.m.
A message from Ottawa says that the Right Hon. Sir R. L. Borden, the Premier, read in the House of Commons a message from the Right Hon. Lewis Harcourt, Secretary of State for the Colonies, stating that Germany had lost two and a quarter millions of her best and bravest soldiers, and that any fresh effort must be made with greatly inferior and disheartened troops. Germany was now feeling the economic pressure, thanks to our Navy. Austria had also suffered severe reverses, and was no longer a powerful ally, while Turkey was of even less account. The power of Great Britain and her Allies would increase daily, whereas the power of Germany was waning. The vast resources of the British Empire had not yet been called into play, and the splendid contingents of the Dominions, with the Mother Country's new armies, should have a preponderant influence in the ultimate decision.

The Premier then delivered an eloquent speech, in which he said the Empire had held firm, utterly disappointing Prussian expectations. The great Dominions were fighting not only for our institutions of freedom and destiny, but for a world-wide cause of which none would dare to doubt the issue. (Loud and prolonged cheers.)

GERMANS REPORTED TO HAVE EXECUTED MARITZ.

London, Feb. 10, 10.40 p.m.
A telegram from Pretoria says that the Pretoria News announces that the Germans have executed the notorious Rebel leader Maritz for treachery.

UNPRECEDENTED BAYONET FIGHTING.

London, Feb. 10, 5.15 a.m.

A Petrograd communique says:—
Fighting in the Carpathians continues in the region of Bartfeld and Seidank. The enemy attempted to attack, but retired, being unable to support the fierceness of the fighting, and abandoned their prisoners.
Our offensive in the Lunkow Pass in the Carpathians continued. During the 8th inst. we captured 5,000 prisoners, with 18 machine-guns.
German columns, having crossed the Tuholka Pass, delivered on the 7th inst. the region of Kozimok, advancing in 22 violent attacks against the heights in massed formations several ranks deep. The enemy, under our violent cross-fire, twice captured one of the heights, but were dislodged by a counter-attack by our infantry, after prolonged bayonet fighting of a nature unprecedented in history. The enemy's losses were excessively serious.
The enemy's attacks in the direction of Wyszokowo were also repulsed.

USE OF THE NEUTRAL FLAG.

BRITISH OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

(British Foreign Office Telegram.)

London, Feb. 9.
The following statement is issued by the Foreign Office:—
The use of a neutral flag is, with certain limitations, well established in practice as a *modus vivendi*. The only effect, in the case of merchantmen, of wearing a flag other than her national flag is to compel the enemy to follow ordinary obligations of naval warfare, and to satisfy himself as to the nationality of a vessel and the character of her cargo by examination before capturing her and taking her into the Prize Court for adjudication. The British Government has always considered the use of British colours by a foreign vessel legitimate for the purpose of escaping capture. Such practice is not only no breach of International Law, but is specially recognised by the law of this country.
In the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, it is enacted as follows:—"If a person uses the British flag and assumes a British national character on board a ship owned in whole, or in part, by any persons not qualified to own a British ship, for the purpose of making the ship appear to be a British ship, the ship shall be subject to forfeiture under this Act, unless such assumption has been made for the purpose of escaping capture by an enemy, or by a foreign ship of war in exercise of some belligerent right." And, in the instructions to British consuls for 1914, it is stated:—"A ship is liable to capture if the British character is improperly assumed, except for purpose of escaping capture."
As we have, in practice, not objected to foreign merchant vessels using the British merchant flag as a ruse for the purpose of evading capture at sea at the hands of a belligerent, so we should maintain that, in a converse case, a British merchant vessel committed no breach of the rules of International Law in assuming neutral colours for a similar purpose, if she thought fit to do so.
By the rules of International Law, customs of war, and dictates of humanity it is obligatory upon a belligerent to ascertain the character of a merchant vessel, and of her cargo before capture. Germany has no right to disregard this obligation. To destroy a ship, and a non-combatant crew and cargo, as Germany has announced her intention of doing, is nothing less than an act of piracy on the high seas.

BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES FLAG.

American Opinion.

London, Feb. 9.
A Washington correspondent says he has the highest authority for stating that the administration's view regarding the hoisting of the United States flag on the *Lusitania* is that the use of other flags by ships of warring nations is a customary practice and therefore no formal protest need be made, but it is deemed proper to send Great Britain a Note pointing out the dangers to neutral shipping if the practice is continued.

Fritz Kreisler, the well-known German violinist, who is in the United States, has said to an interviewer, "My devotion to my own land is well known. I have many friends in France, Belgium, England, and Russia. How could I change my feeling towards them? How could any personal enmity enter in? To bridge over the abysses of hatred that this war will leave behind it—that must be the mission of the artist."

DON'T COUGH.

It is absurd to allow a cough to hang on and sap your vitality when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will cure you. "You don't know where a persistent cough will land you. You can't afford to allow your throat and lungs to become diseased, when it is such a simple thing to step into a chemist's shop and get a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers."

THE WANCHAI STABBING AFFRAY.

The Wanchai sensation of a fortnight ago, when a Chinese stabbed two women and a Japanese who pursued him, came up for investigation before Mr. Hazland this afternoon. Four Chinese were charged with armed robbery and stabbing a Chinese woman and her amah and the first prisoner was also charged with stabbing a Japanese.
The first prisoner was conveyed to the Court on a stretcher, being unable to stand owing to a broken ankle. He was accommodated in the dock with a chair.
Inspector Gordon described the assault, the particulars of which have already been published.
A Japanese gave evidence of the chase, and of the wound inflicted by a prisoner, but he could not identify the witness had handed him over to an Indian constable. The case was adjourned.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE LATE LORD LONDON-DERRY.

London, Feb. 9.
In the House of Lords to-day the leaders on both sides of the House paid warm tributes to the late Lord London-Derry.

OBITUARY.

London, Feb. 9.
The death is announced of General Lord William Seymour, K.C.V.O. at the age of 76.

INTERPORT GOLF.

COMPETITIONS AT FANLING.

Arrangements for the Contests.

Next week is the week of the year so far as local golf is concerned, the series of competitions arranged by the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club including the inter-port competition for the Shanghai Challenge Cup. This trophy was offered by Shanghai some years ago for competition among the clubs of China and Japan, but it was not until last year that any club was able to send up a team strong enough to wrest it from the golfers of the Settlement. The honour fell to Hongkong, who were represented by the Shanghai Club, the members of the successful team being R. G. Gardner, J. Clarke, T. W. Hill, K. M. Cumming, and T. S. Forrest. Tientsin were second and Shanghai third. General invitations were sent round this year, but Shanghai was the only team in a position to accept, and as they are minus some of their best players owing to the way Hongkong is a confident mood. The competition takes place over the Fanling course on Tuesday, the first couple being due to drive off at 10.15. The other pairs will follow at five minute intervals, and the order will be observed in the other nine rounds, the first pair leaving at 2.15. A small cup will be given to each member of the winning team as a memento.
The teams will be entertained at lunch in the clubhouse by the Captain of the Hongkong club, Mr. E. J. Grist, and H. E. the Governor, who will be a spectator of the match. They will give a dinner for the teams and some of the members of the club at Government House.
The competitions open on Monday forenoon with a men's open competition, entries for which must reach the hon. secretary before 6 p.m. to-day. When all the entries have been received, partners will be selected and the players notified. This competition is expected to finish by 11 a.m. and in the afternoon there will be a mixed foursomes competition under handicap on the relief course at Fanling. The conditions are two consecutive rounds of nine holes each, medal play. Competitors must arrange their own partners and may start out when they wish, but not before 11 a.m. The course will be reserved for competitors after 12.30.
The ladies of the Club are providing tea on Tuesday.
The Shanghai players were due to arrive here to-day. Four are passengers on the *Chenai*, which with other steamers has been held up outside the harbour on account of its closure because of the thick fog prevailing outside. One is travelling by the *Orizaba*, and another on the *Kama Maru*.
The Hongkong team will be captained by Mr. R. G. Gardner, whose impending departure from the colony will be generally regretted by the club. Capt. Barrett is in charge of the Shanghai players, who were to have originally been captained by Mr. J. Dewar, but he was unable to come down, however, Mr. W. J. Hawkins is taking his place. The teams are given below, the name of the Shanghai player being in each case placed first.
10.15 and 2.15.—Captains E. J. M. Barrett (Capt.) v. R. G. Gardner (Capt.)
Referee, Mr. E. J. Grist.
10.20 and 2.20.—R. A. Brand v. J. Clark.
Referee, Mr. A. Ritchie.
10.25 and 2.25.—J. Johnston v. T. W. Hill.
Referee Mr. M. A. Murray.
10.30 and 2.30.—J. G. Dickie v. K. M. Cumming.
Referee Mr. S. H. Dodwell.
10.35 and 2.35.—W. J. Hawkins v. R. O. Russell.
Referee Mr. A. H. Ferguson.
Hongkong's first reserve is Dr. Lindsay Woods.
The following local rules will be in operation for the Challenge Cup competition:—
Second Hole: A Club must not be grounded in the bunker guarding the Green.
Balls in the ditch at right-angles to the bunker may be picked up and dropped on the fairway behind the bunker under penalty of one stroke.
Third Hole: A Ball is considered out of bounds if it is in, or over, the cutting on the far side of the Green: the penalty is loss of distance only. (See Rule 23 of Rules of Golf.)
Eleventh Hole: A Ball may be lifted from any position and dropped on the fairway under penalty of one stroke. A lost Ball at this hole is subject to the same penalty.
Eleventh Hole: A Ball in the rough ground to the left of the fairway near the 11th green may be picked up and dropped on the fairway under penalty of one stroke. This rule applies only to balls driven from the tee which finish below the level of the fairway. Otherwise the ball must be played from where it lies or dropped under the usual penalty of two strokes. (See Rule 11 of Rules for Play in Stroke Competitions.)
Twelfth Hole: A Ball in the ditch or in the water at the bottom of the bank near the green may be picked up and dropped, not nearer the hole under penalty of one stroke.
Eighteenth Hole: A Ball from the tee finishing in the small spring hole to the left of the fairway or in the cross bunker, may be picked up and dropped behind the spot at which the ball finished without penalty: this only applies to balls driven from the tee. In the case of shots played from through the green the ball may be lifted and dropped behind these hazards under penalty of one stroke.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily assent to opinions expressed by correspondents.—Ed.)

WANTED: A SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF THE RUIN-ING OF YOUNG MEN.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Hongkong, 10th February, 1915.
Dear Sir,—I am writing you to enlist your co-operation in the formation of a society for the prevention of the ruin of the youths of the Colony. The increasing instances of youth figuring in money-leading cases, bankruptcies, proceedings, and even criminal prosecutions, render the establishment of such an institution imperative. A student of criminology for some years and an old resident here, I attribute the downfall of most of the youths more to the opportunities afforded them to go wrong than to inherent vice. It has, therefore, occurred to me to suggest the formation of the above society, whose first and most important work should be the removal of these opportunities, chief among which is gambling. It may, however, be argued that there is no need of such a society, there being the Gambling Ordinance to cope with it. The Gambling Ordinance, however, is not rigidly enforced. It is a well-known fact that certain Clubs in the Colony hold sweeps in connection with the Race Meeting. It is, perhaps, not so well-known that some of these Clubs not content with holding sweeps amongst their own members, must needs go and abuse police tolerance by admitting all and sundry. The method followed by these Clubs is to farm out their sweeps to persons to highest bidder. So lucrative is the business that groups of gambling farmers will always be found to vie with each other for the concessions. Invariably the successful tenderers, after providing for the purchase consideration, somewhere about a \$1,000.00, and for the food and drinks supplied free at the night drawings, own a cool \$5,000.00 and it requires no stretch of imagination to determine wharps for them—the gambling farmers or their vicarious. Till recently my countrymen were not admitted but, with their adoption of Western clothes, the baiting of Chinese youths as well as Portuguese and Indian youths, has become as good a sport as betting in the times of Nery. From a Portuguese gentleman, with whom I discussed the question, I learned that last year's toll on his community was a heavy one. To quote the three worst instances he cited:—First, that of the youth a married man with 4 children having to resign his position to get at his wife's fund by square up his so-called debt of honour. Second, that of another youth, again married man, with 8 children, who had to play the vanishing act. This youth hadn't a provident fund to fall upon but he resorted to money-lenders. Shyluck's race was, however, too strong for him and he found the "winning" note in more congenial climate. Third, that of a lad of 17, who anticipated the authority to sign his employer's name and ended with 5 years' free board and lodging at the Victoria Gaol. I also learned that Portuguese mothers and wives dread their Club sweeps more than the plague itself.
The Gambling Ordinance provides for all gambling of any nature whatsoever, and by what ethics the authorities raid coolie's quarters, in many instances with loss of life, arrest and having fine vendors of lottery tickets, whilst Clubs conduct open gambling unmolested, is a mystery to me. The Government will do well to enquire into the relations between these Clubs, the gambling farmers who run the show there and the Police. He must indeed be a material case who can satisfy his conscience that staking in a lottery or a premium bond is gambling and staking on Club sweeps is sport.

In conclusion, I appeal to stronger powers than mine to ventilate this question in the public press. If any public spirited person will take up the good work of eradicating the gambling evil from our midst, I am ready to co-operate with him. I have before me all the necessary evidence to prosecute these Clubs and the gambling farmers successfully, but I have to the means to do it alone and I therefore seek the assistance of the public. Trusting my letter will lead to the removal of this gambling nuisance. Yours faithfully,
A CHINESE, P.A.

SHOOTING IN THE COLONY.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Dear Sir,—Now that the shooting season—curtained by the authorities to three and half months—has closed to the regret of local Nimrod, I am anxious to give publicity through the medium of your valuable newspaper to the number of partridges that I was able to bag throughout the season and shall be glad to know from other sportsmen in the Colony if any bigger bag has been obtained.
I confine myself to partridges only as they are indigenous to South China and while they are the "Prima Donna" of all Game Birds they are also regular in presence and quantity, whereas quail, duck, snipe, duck etc. are migratory and vary in presence and quantity according to climatic conditions.
In 21 outings—some half and some whole day—and working with one dog I was able to put up the satisfactory number of 75 partridges. Of these I managed 54 kills, with the satisfaction of having got 12 consecutive with an equal number of shots. Of the 21 misses there were 5 that I cannot excuse myself for, but the remaining 16 escaped either because of obstruction or the extreme difficulty of the shot each respectively presented.
I have no doubt that local sportsmen will agree with me that these fowls are very good. Of course I have in my favour the advantage of knowing what kind of country to work besides having a very superior dog "Stanley" to work with. She is indeed an "artificer" of her breed, keen of scent with plenty of experience, and I may safely say that she is one of the best if not actually the best in the Colony.
In conclusion, if any other sportsman knows of any better record this season I would be glad to hear of it.
Thanking you for the interest of this. Yours faithfully,
S. F. Lee.

A looking yesterday questioned a Chinese whom he saw attempting to pawn some clothes and, as his answers were not satisfactory, he took him into custody. Subsequently, the articles were identified as having been stolen from Belcher Street, West Point. Prisoner was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

After two successful performances at Canton the "Grotosques" again appeared at the Theatre Royal last evening. Unfortunately the audience was not so large as could have been desired but this may be attributed to other entertainments. An attractive programme consisted of several items including "The Fairy's Kiss" a duet by Miss Wynne and Mr. Hugh Bayley; "My know of two bright eyes" was admirably sung by Mr. R. Argent; and Miss Grey's child impersonations were again loudly applauded. Mr. Fred Wynn as the "Man from Cook's" was as amusing as ever. The "Grotosques" give another performance to-night and conclude their visit to Hongkong to-morrow night.

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To-day's Advertisements

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Hongkong, February 11, 1915. 183

DIOCESAN SCHOOL OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

A SMOKING CONCERT will be held at the SCHOOL on FRIDAY the 12th instant at 8.30 p.m. Old Boys who wish to attend please communicate with the Hon. Secretary.

H. GITTINS, C/o Messrs. JARDINE MATHESON & Co. Ltd. Hongkong, Feb. 11, 1915. 135

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By Order, H. P. WATSON, Manager. Kowloon, 11th February, 1915. 134

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to the 25th February, (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be effected.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, Feb. 11, 1915. 136

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HEADQUARTER OFFICE, VICTORIA BARRACKS, Hongkong, 10th February, 1915. 133

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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BISHOP'S LODGE NORTH, No. 12, THE PEAK. From 1st May next.

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TO LET.

168 THE PEAK. THE KENNELS.

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TO LET.

NO. 6, 'TORRES BUILDINGS'.

No. 2, 'ROSE TERRACE' (14 Nathan Road) Kowloon.

Apply to—SPANISH DOMINICAN PROCUSSION. Hongkong, Feb. 3, 1915. 87

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Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS. Hongkong, Feb. 3, 1915. 1077

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February 11, 1915.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 11th at 11.40.—The northern depression has passed into the Pacific. The southern depression has deepened slightly. It is now central over N. Annam. A shallow depression lies over the N. Loo-Choo.

The anticyclone over N.E. China and S.E. Mongolia has now developed. Pressure is relatively high, however, over the former district.

Pressure has decreased slightly over the Philippines. It is now increasing slightly at Hongkong.

Moderate monsoon is indicated along the east coast of China.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 11th.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: S.E. to E. winds, moderate; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds, moderate to fresh.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

5.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

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this Corporation will be held at the CRY
HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the
20th day of February, 1915, at Noon, for
the purpose of receiving the Report of the
Board of Directors together with a State-
ment of Accounts to 31st December, 1914.The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Corporation will be CLOSED from MON-
DAY, the 8th February, to SATURDAY,
the 20th February, 1915, (both days
inclusive), during which period no Transfer
of Shares can be registered.By Order of the Board of Directors,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 3, 1915.

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Statement of Accounts for the year ending
31st December, 1914.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from the 10th
to the 23rd February, (both days inclusive)
during which period no Transfer of Shares
can be effected.JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, Feb. 11, 1915.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

FISH

We have received a New Shipment
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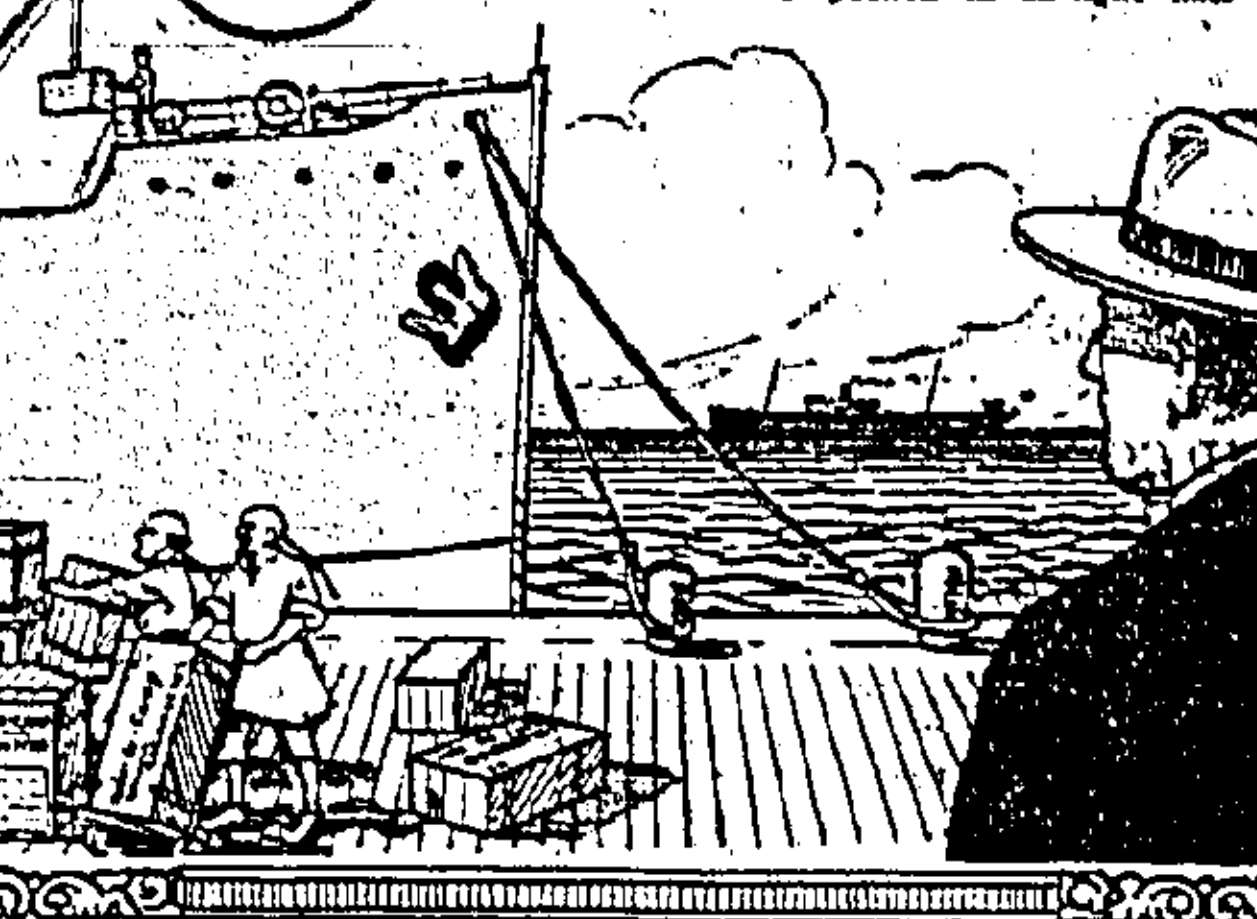
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"From 'The Daily Telegraph.'"

Lieutenant the Hon. Colwyn Phillips
(son of Lord and Lady St. Davids), of
the Royal Horse Guards, gives a vivid
description of life at the front. He says:
"Stop smoking." The tall officer in
front gave the order curtly, and it was
passed softly down the line of dirty,
grey-coated figures that followed him in
single file through the rapidly deepening
gloom of the winter's evening. A few
flakes of snow were falling, to melt at
once and add their quota to the sea of
mud that made movement of any sort
almost impossible. They turn of where
a blackened ruin remains of what was the
cottage at the level crossing, and trudge
wearily up a village street. What a vil-
lage! Every inhabitant has long since
fled, and the only sound to be heard is
the curious whining scream of the shells
that pass continually overhead, and the
distant angry chatter of a machine gun.

A squadron! The word calls up a
vision of straining horses and glinting
blades, a merry sound of hoofs and
jingling accoutrements. How different is
this reality! These men are old cam-
paigners. Spurs and swords have long
been discarded. Each man carries a
rifle and a bayonet, a couple of extra
belts of ammunition are slung about him,
and most of them shoulder a pick or
spade.

"The dug-out must be just here. I
will go on, and you stop here. Don't
let the men talk, and lie down if you are
shot at." The squadron halts while the
tall officer goes forward alone.

At a ruined cottage he stops, and turn-
ing into the garden he seems to vanish.
He has descended into the dug-out—a
small, dark chamber huddled out of
the ground. In one corner the officer
commanding the trenches is bent over a
map, and whispers now and then to his
neighbour, who has a telephone at his
elbow.

"Good-night and good luck."

The doctor has snatched a moment's
rest, and is snoring and chatting to an
A.D.C., who looks up as the tall officer
enters. "B Squadron Blues?" he queries
entirely. "Right, here is your guide. I'm afraid
you will find the trenches a bit damp,
but they haven't shelled them much
to-day. You will want to keep your heads
down though; they are sniping pretty
hard. Good-night and good luck."

The guide, a subaltern of the squadron
about to be relieved, and the tall officer
return to the waiting squadron together.

The word is given, and in utter silence
the men move forward. They turn off
the road, stumble over a wire fence, and
across a turnip field, and halt.

A figure rises from the ground at their
feet. "B Squadron Blues?" he queries
in a whisper. "Careful, the German
trenches are about eighty yards away.
How many men have you?—100; all
right, three in there." As he speaks
three crouched and frozen men crawl
stiffly from the trench that you can now
dimly discern at your feet, and three
of the new arrivals take their place.

"Four in there—three in there," and
so on down the line. Suddenly a mas-
sive chatter, and a burst of rifle fire
shows that the Germans have heard
something. Every man lies flat on his
face and listens to the vicious "whis-
whis," of the bullets overhead. In a
minute the firing dies down, and the
relieving proceeds quickly and quietly.

The officer handing over has some
whispered advice to give. They snipe
from their ruined farms on the right.
Don't dig out the left end of the trench;
they dropped a shell there and killed

two men; there was not enough of them
to carry away, so we just filled in the
trench on top of them—poor chaps!"
He follows his retreating men, and
the new arrivals settle themselves into
what is to be their home for the next
forty-eight hours.

CHRISTMAS TRUCE.

An Impossible Situation.

Second Lieutenant A. P. Sinkinson,
attached to the Lancashire Fusiliers, writing
home, under date Dec. 30, says:

On Christmas morning we received
orders not to shoot unless it was absolutely
necessary. This injunction seemed to
be "wonderful" itself across to the Germans,
for they stopped sniping altogether, and
an unearthly stillness reigned over the
scene. This, coupled with the fact that
it was actually not raining or snowing,
proved too much for the patience of the
men, and in a short time we had the un-
wanted spectacle of the entire personnel
of the rival trenches standing on their
respective parapets waving and shouting
to each other. I need hardly tell you
what a relief it was to everyone; it was
not war, but it was certainly magnificent.
Later on the Germans obtained permis-
sion to get out into the debateable ground
and collect three of their dead for Chris-
tian burial.

The sight of German wanderers about
in front of their trenches made our men
itch to do likewise, and, finally, though
it was strictly against orders, one or two
of our men got out and met the Ger-
mans half-way and exchanged newspapers
or cigarettes. In order to put a stop
to a situation which was proving im-
possible I went out myself after a time
with a copy of "Punch," which I pre-
sented to a dinky Saxon in exchange for
a small packet of excellent cigars and
cigarettes. I explained to him that it
was "verboten" (I talked to him in
his own tongue) for our men to come
out, and wished him a merry Christmas,
whereupon he gave me a smart military
salute and withdrew.

As I walked slowly back to our own
trenches I thought of Mr. Asquith's sen-
tence about not sheathing the sword until
the enemy be finally crushed. It is
all very well for Englishmen living com-
fortably at home to talk in flowing
periods, but when you are out here you
begin to realise that sustained hatred is
impossible. Of course, it will all
break out again, but at present we are
enjoying a kind of truce till New Year's
Day. When we were relieved on the
28th we were quite unmolested by
snipers.

QUEEN'S WESTMINSTERS.

"Strange Warfare."

Hiseman A. E. Watts, of the Queen's
Westminsters, writing home to a friend
at Chadwell Heath, under date Dec. 27,
says:

I spent a most remarkable and enjoy-
able Christmas Day. Things got very
lively in the trenches. Large fires were
lit and candles were put on top of the

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Gets There

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real rich red blood and
plenty of it—in his body.

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H. P. WISLOW,

Manager.

Kowloon, 11th February, 1915.

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T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, February 8, 1915.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL
SOCIETY.

ANNUAL SHOW.

THE FLOWER and VEGETABLE
SHOW will be held on the 4th and
5th March in the Botanical Garden.
Intending Exhibitors should send their
entry forms to the Hon. Secretary not
later than 25th February. Copies of Rules
and Schedules may be obtained from the
Hon. Secretary.

F. HOWELL,

10 Des Vaux Road, Central.

Hongkong, Feb. 9, 1915.

NEW MACAO HOTEL.

NOTICE.

TAKE NOTICE that on and after the
1st day of February, 1915, the
Management of the above HOTEL will
be carried on by L. W. MAK in place of
O. G. MOK, and all future correspondence
and orders must be signed by the said
L. W. MAK.

NEW MACAO HOTEL,

Macao.

Macao, 4th February, 1915.

SIEN TING.

Surgeon Dentist.

No. 14, VICTORIA STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE

Consultation

FRENCH LESSONS

G. MOUSSON,

15, Morrison Hill Road.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BRITISH STEAMER'S ADVENTURE WITH A GERMAN SUBMARINE.

DRASTIC PROPOSAL BY LORD CHARLES BEESEFORD.

THE SITUATION IN INDIA.

BRITISH STEAMER EVADES A GERMAN SUBMARINE.

London, Feb. 11, 8.10 p.m.
A telegram from Ymuiden states that the British steamer "Laertes," from Java, while off the Dutch coast and not showing a flag, was challenged by the German submarine U2. When asked to leave to, the Dutch flag was hoisted so as to protect neutral subjects, and the vessel proceeded steaming at sixteen knots. She was hit by two shells, but escaped the torpedo and reached Ymuiden by adroit manoeuvring and good stoking.

INTERESTING DISCUSSION IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

London, Feb. 11, 6 p.m.
In the House of Commons, Mr. E. W. Jowett, Labour member for West Bradford, asked whether the Government was prepared to state on what terms Great Britain and her Allies would discuss terms of peace without view to ending the terrible loss of life.

Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, replied that recent public utterances in Germany gave no reason to suppose that the purpose of Mr. Jowett had in view would be promoted by adopting the course suggested. (Loud cheers.)

Mr. Asquith, the Prime Minister, announced that about 60 per cent. of the wounded had recovered and become fit for service; and that arrangements would be made whereby Field Marshal Sir John French would shortly send a bulletin twice a week of the doings of the British troops.

Mr. Asquith informed Lord Charles Bessford that the Government was considering more stringent measures against German trade with a view to coping with the flagrant violation by the enemy of the rules of war. He hoped shortly to announce the measures.

Lord Bessford suggested that German raiders by sea or land when captured should be treated as pirates and publicly hanged for the murder of women and children.

Mr. Asquith said he was not prepared to make a general statement as each case must be dealt with on its merits.

GERMAN BARBARITY.

"KILL ALL YOUR PRISONERS."

The following general order by General Joffre was issued to the French armies in the field on December 17:—

The commander in chief of the armies brings to the notice of the troops the following fact:—

"We have proof that the lieutenant commanding the 7th Company of the 112th Bavarian Infantry Regiment has communicated to his men the following order by the General Commanding the Brigade (58th Brigade of the 14th Bavarian Corps):—

"From today no more prisoners will be made. The wounded with or without arms, will be put to death. Prisoners, even if taken in large bodies, will be put to death. No living man must be left behind us."

This order has been carried out. Interrogations of a German prisoner prove that numbers of French prisoners have been shot dead.

At General Headquarters.

December 17, 1914.

The General Commanding in Chief,
(Signed), Joffe.

THE SITUATION IN INDIA.

Major-General Kelly has received the following telegram, dated Feb. 11, from the Chief of the General Staff, Delhi:—

The situation in India continues to be generally satisfactory. Frontier remains quiet.

THE STRUGGLE IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM

GERMANS REPULSED AT VARIOUS POINTS.

London, Feb. 11, 12.55 a.m.

The Paris evening *communiqué* says:—
We exploded three mines on Tuesday night at La Boisselle, and occupied the cavities caused by the explosion, despite a counter-attack, which we repulsed with the bayonet.

In Argonne there has been a cannonade, with bomb-dropping, on both sides, particularly in the region of Polante and Bagatelle.

The Germans made a violent and fruitless attack on a Marie Therese work.

Our outposts easily repulsed a German attack at Lorraine on the north side of the Parroy Forest.

A small affair at Manonviller ended in our Hussars pursuing the enemy.

An attack by the Germans at Fontenelle in the Vosges was repulsed.

(Official Telegram from French Government via Peking.)

Feb. 11, 1915.

On the 9th inst. there was only artillery fighting on the Aisne and in Champagne. It was very fierce. The French blew up a German trench at Fy, south-east of Vermeux.

Havas Telegram, Feb. 10, 6.15 p.m.

French stock now stands at 71.50.
On the 9th inst. fierce artillery fighting prevailed at several points on the front, notably on the Aisne and in Champagne.

An unimportant infantry action took place in Lorraine, north-east of Manonvillers, where we repulsed attacks by the enemy.

GERMAN PIRACY.

BRITISH ADMIRALTY STATEMENT.

(British Foreign Office Telegram.)

The Admiralty has published reports of Masters of the British ships *Ikarie* and *Taka Maru*, which were torpedoed by German submarines.

The *Ikarie* was on a voyage from Brazil to Havre and London when, on January 31st, at a point to the north-west of Havre, the ship was struck by a torpedo and began to sink. The only warning was the sight of the torpedo trail when 30 feet from the ship. The ship was, however, towed into Havre.

The *Taka Maru* was on a voyage from New Zealand to Havre, and was also struck by a torpedo near Havre, entirely without warning. The Master sighted a periscope, thus establishing the cause of disaster. The ship sank immediately. The crew were saved by a French mine sweeper.

The British ship *Orion* has been missing since January 30th. She was bound for Havre. The loss is grave reason to fear that she was sunk by a German submarine with the loss of all hands, as life-boats marked *Orion* have been washed up at Llys, Sussex.

BY TELEGRAPH.

BRITISH ARMY ESTIMATES.

London, Feb. 11

The House of Commons unanimously adopted the Army Estimates for 3,000,000 men.

RUSSIA'S DAILY WAR EXPENDITURE.

London, Feb. 11.

A Petrograd telegram states that the Duma Council of Empire has voted the Budget.
In the course of the debate it was stated that the war was costing Russia £1,400,000 sterling daily. It was also stated that Russian trade is operating practically unchanged.

RUSSIAN DESTROYERS ACTIVE.

FIFTY SAILING SHIPS SUNK.

London, Feb. 11.

An official statement issued at Petrograd states that Russian destroyers in the Black Sea bombarded three batteries at Trebizond (Asia Minor) and destroyed three bridges.
The *Platan* and *Rize* sank fifty sailing ships.

THE REBEL MARITZ.

STORY OF HIS TREACHERY.

London, Feb. 10.

The *Pretorian* News, which has announced that the Germans have shot the rebel leader Maritz for treachery, now adds that Maritz had asked officers of the Union force whether his life would be spared if he surrendered. He was told that no conditions could be granted. Maritz left on the understanding that besides surrendering himself he would try and bring in the German artillery.
The *Pretorian* News gives a new version of the fight at Kakamas. It says that Maritz was leading the Germans there when his treachery was discovered. The German artillery was only extricated with the greatest difficulty.

AUSTRIA PESSIMIST.

STRONGLY PRESSED BY THE RUSSIANS.

London, Feb. 10, 7.20 p.m.

A message from Amsterdam states that a pessimistic Austrian *communiqué* says that deep snow in the Carpathians greatly impedes marching and fighting.

The statement admits that the Russians are strongly pressing against the Dniestr Pass, and that the remainder of the Russian front is so strongly fortified that the Austrian operations are rendered slow.

The *communiqué* concludes:—"Heavy fighting and bitter difficulties are experienced. We must be content to press the enemy back step by step and repel his attempts to break through without weakening the remainder of our front."

OBITUARY.

MR. JAMES LEGGE CHALMERS.

In our last issue (says the "London and China Express" of January 1) we briefly announced the death at Shanghai of Mr. James Legge Chalmers, Statistical Secretary of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs. Mr. Chalmers, who was very well known and highly respected amongst a large circle of friends, was born in Hongkong in 1854 and was the son of Dr. John Chalmers, of Aberdeen, the well-known missionary and sinologist of Canton and Hongkong. He was called after the famous Chinese scholar, Dr. James Legge, who was a great friend of Dr. Chalmers. The deceased joined the Customs as far back as 1873, in Tientsin.

After serving at Chefoo, Canton and Baku, where he was in charge, he went home on leave, and on his return was at Ichang, after which he was appointed Assistant Chinese Secretary at Peking. In 1897 the late Mr. Chalmers was sent to take charge of the Customs at Tamsui, but his health broke down, and he again went on home leave in 1891. Fortunately, Mr. Chalmers' health improved, and before coming out to Seoul in 1895 as secretary to Sir John McLeay, Brown, he married Miss Margaret Davidson, of Aberdeen. He became Acting Commissioner at Chemulpo in January, 1898. He was subsequently made Deputy Commissioner in the Statistical Department, and on the resignation of Dr. Morse he assumed charge, becoming Substantive Secretary and Deputy Postal Secretary, in 1910. Again proceeding on home leave in 1911, he returned and was re-appointed Statistical Secretary in 1912. As is shown by his excellent and most useful annual trade reports, Mr. Chalmers was a specialist in Chinese trade conditions and statistics. He was deeply respected by all his colleagues for his high sense of justice and amiability, and his demise will be received with regret by all who knew him. He was the brother of the British Consul-General in Yokohama, and was brother-in-law to Mr. F. S. A. Bourne, C.M.G., Assistant Judge, and Mr. John D. Hutchinson, of Shanghai.

Gen. Sir Thomas Kelly-Kenny.

The death of General Sir Thomas Kelly-Kenny took place at Hove on 26th ult. The deceased general, who was seventy-four, was Lieutenant-General on the staff in command of the Sixth Division of the South African Field Force, and was twice mentioned in despatches. He entered the Army at the age of 18 as an ensign in the 2nd Foot, now the Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment), and two years later took part in the China War of 1860, being present at the action of Sihho and the capture of the Taku forts. He was mentioned in despatches, and received the medal and clasp. After various services when the Boer War broke out General Kelly-Kenny was appointed a Lieutenant-General on the staff, and remained there throughout the campaign. He was promoted to the rank of General in 1905, and in 1906 he accompanied the Garter Mission of Prince Arthur of Connaught to Tokyo, receiving the Japanese Order of the Rising Sun.

Mr. F. C. Evans.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Frederick Claude Evans, of Messrs. Caldwell, McGregor and Co., which took place yesterday afternoon (says the "N. C. Daily News" of the 4th inst.). Mr. Evans (who was only twenty-six years of age) was taken ill on Christmas day and went to the Victoria Nursing Home suffering from typhoid. Peritonitis set in, and he died yesterday afternoon. His loss will be keenly felt among a wide circle of friends, and by his employers who regarded him as a most promising young man. After serving in the London office of Messrs. Caldwell, McGregor, Mr. Evans came out to the Shanghai branch as assistant in 1909, and soon gained in esteem and popularity. He took a keen interest in the Fire Brigade and was appointed first assistant of the M.H. Ho Loong company. He also took a leading part in Rugby football, and was a member of the Committee of St. Patrick's Society.

Mr. James Johnstone Kewick.

We regret to report the death of Mr. James Johnstone Kewick, which took place at an hotel at Bath, on 26th ult., at the age of 68. Mr. J. J. Kewick was the son of the late Mr. Thomas Kewick, of Beech Grove, Annan, N.B., and a younger brother of the late Mr. Wm. Kewick, M.P. Before retiring from China some fourteen years ago he was a partner in Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., and had been resident in Japan, in Shanghai, and Hongkong. He was married to a daughter of the late Sir Harry Parkes, formerly British Minister first at Tokyo and afterwards at Peking. Mr. Kewick's death recalls that of the fatal illness of Sir Harry, who made the record ride from Tientsin to Peking by means of a relay of ponies. That was, of course, in the twenties, in the days before the railway was constructed. During his residence in China Mr. Kewick was one of the best known men of

the foreign community, alike as a member of the Shanghai Light Horse, as a racing man at the head of the Ewo stable, or as chairman of Jardine's and the Associated Wharves. It was the same in Hongkong as a member of the Legislative Council, or chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, or the Hongkong Fire. In the world of sport, at Hongkong, it was also the same, as in the social world at East Point. Every sympathy will be felt for Mrs. Kewick in her bereavement by old China friends, and the many others that his genial qualities made after his retirement at home.

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WAR NEWS.

PRIVATE LONSDALE.

Leeds Lord Mayor's Cablegram to American Ambassador.

The Lord Mayor of Leeds (Mr. J. E. Bedford) is seeking the assistance of the United States Minister at The Hague on behalf of the British prisoner Private Lonsdale, who was sentenced to death in Germany. He has sent the following message to the Minister:—
"I have requested a reduction in the sentence of death in Germany. Can you use any means whatever to save his life?"

On the afternoon of Jan. 8 he received a reply from the American Minister at The Hague as follows:—
"I have requested American Ambassador Berlin to do everything possible for Private Lonsdale.—Vandyke, American Minister."

STARS RETURN.

Mr. Seymour Hicks too ill to Land.

Mr. Seymour Hicks, along with several members of the concert party which paid a Christmas visit to the Army in France, returned to England on 3rd ult. Mr. Hicks himself, however, was unable to land. He is suffering from influenza. When the boat reached Southampton Mr. Hicks' condition was so bad that the doctor refused to allow him to come ashore, and he was taken back to Havre. It is hoped that several days' rest and quietness will restore him to health. Mr. Hicks landed next day and went into a nursing home on the South Coast. When Mr. Hicks is also suffering from influenza. For the present she is remaining at Rouen.

THE ACTION BY MESSRS. WATSON AND CO.

The hearing was resumed before Mr. Wood this afternoon of the charge of receiving a quantity of patent medicine alleged to have been stolen from Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co.

Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. Stephens, prosecuted, and Mr. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. Bowley, defended. Mr. Kong Sing watched the case on behalf of another defendant, who is remanded on a charge of stealing the medicine.

An employee of Messrs. Watson said that a man employed at Messrs. Watson's Aerated Mineral Factory told him that the man accused of stealing had taken a quantity of medicine from the Dispensary. It was during a telephone message with defendant that the latter said the things were stolen by the other defendant. Witness was able to identify the paper as that in which five packets of the medicine were wrapped.

Answering counsel for the defence, witness said he had not kept back anything in his evidence which would be likely to benefit the defendant. He remembered purchasing four boxes of those "pernicious tablets" in November last.

Mr. Wood asked Mr. Jenkin to put his questions in simpler form.
Mr. Jenkin: I have come into contact with these tablets and I know. (Laughter.)

The case was again adjourned.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Major D. Macdonald.

LEAVE.

Pte. C. H. Buckingham to 12.2.15.

Pte. H. H. Scott from H.K.V.R. to Engineer Co., dated 12.2.15.

TEMPORARY COMMISSIONS.

The following members of the H.K.V.C. have been granted temporary commissions as Second Lieutenants in the New Service Battalion, dated 12.2.15.

R. W. D. Barney. C. H. Buckingham.

PARADES.

Parades for Saturday, 12th inst. Nil.

GUARDS—SECOND HALF FEBRUARY.

February 15, No. 2 Section Artillery.

16, No. 1 Section Artillery and Left Section M. G. Co.; 17, Centre Section M. G. Co.; 18, Civil Service Company; 19, Right Section M. G. Co.; 20, Scouts Company; 21, Scouts Company; 22, Scouts Company; 23, No. 2 Section Artillery; 24, No. 1 Section Artillery and Left Section M. G. Co.; 25, Centre Section M. G. Co.; 26, Civil Service Company; 27, Right Section M. G. Co. and 28, Scouts Company.

DETAILS.

Orderly Officer Lieut. Kennett.

Orderly Sergeant Sergeant Cooper.

To furnish Guard to-night Scouts Company.

To furnish Guard to-morrow Scouts Company.

The committee of the Queen's College Chinese Amateur Dramatic Company has handed over a sum of \$1,070.12 to the honorary treasurer of the Prince of Wales' Fund, being the proceeds of the theatrical performance at Queen's College on February 5th, 6th and 7th. The committee wish to tender their grateful thanks to the firms and individuals who, by rendering valuable services free of charge, enabled so large a sum to be handed over to the Fund.

Regarding the recent robbery, which was related to in yesterday's issue, it is stated that four men armed with revolvers and knives entered the house of a Chinese woman living at 230 Shanghai Street, Shamshui, early in the morning, at a time when the woman opened the door to take in the milk. The robbers rushed upstairs and held the woman by the neck. They threatened her and also pointed revolvers at two other women in the house. After remaining for about an hour, the robbers took with them jewellery to the value of \$200, clothing valued at \$50 and \$500 in money.

ARMED POWER.

THE GERMAN CULT.

Race and Character.

In one respect the German people is unique in Europe, writes A. E. Crawley in a House paper. You have to go to China, Asia, India, or Africa to find a parallel. This feature is that in racial types and moral character the Germans have been the same for at least 2,000 years. Let us take a few instances.

Germany today has practically shed Christianity. Her professors lament that fatal error of 1,400 years ago, when Germany accepted a religion unsuited to her character. They wish she had gone to the worship of Odin, the War God. A hundred years after Christ Tacitus describes this military religion. The religion of modern Germany is a cult of armed power. And, in practice, her militarism has from the dawn of history been of the predatory type. Tacitus says that "to solicit by labour what might be ravished by arms was esteemed unworthy of the German spirit." Economic causes contribute here; the birth rate then, as now, was unusually high; and the raids upon the Roman Empire were more or less due to the fact that "the population outran the means of support."

Still, there is no little truth in the boast of the German professors that "we are the most warlike of peoples," if "warlike" is taken to mean—addicted to raiding and fond of loot. In the middle centuries of history every German baron lived by loot. An archbishop, just appointed without salary, was asked how he was going to live. He pointed to the position of his palace, on a height commanding four cross-roads.

IN THE BEGINNING.

The subtle barbarism of today is no new thing; it is twenty centuries old and has been followed throughout history. "The Germans," says Gibbon, referring to their history generally, "respected only those duties which they imposed on themselves. Interest and fanaticism often prompted their ministers of religion to sanctify the most daring and the most unjust enterprises by the approbation of Heaven and fall assurances of success (from the Deity)."

So today the Kaiser as High Priest, no less than as War Lord, claims the exclusive assistance of "our old God."

Here is a story about the Kings of the Old Prussians (the name, by the way, was first Prussian), who were not Germans at all, but a Lithuanian (Slavonic) people. The King was styled *Kivaido*, which means "God's Mouth," and he governed in the name of the gods. Before his death, self-inflicted when he felt weak, he preached a long sermon. Again, the continuity of the beer habit is extraordinary. Eighteen hundred years ago Tacitus speaks of the "strong beer" made in great abundance "for the gross purposes of German debauchery." It is still more curious to read of the attraction which foreign wines (to be drunk on the makers' premises) have always exerted upon the German gullet, in spite of the bone vintages of Lowenbrau. Those who had tasted the rich wines of Italy and afterwards of Gaul, sighed for that more delicious species of intoxication. In these latter days the German warriors

in the champagne district have fully satisfied this traditional craving. Gibbon says explicitly that "the intemperate thirst of strong liquors changed the barbarians to invade the provinces on which are for nations had bestowed those much envied presents" (Hercules, for one, Gibbon fails to end his sentence with the "entire case"). The German auxiliary invited into France during the civil wars of the sixteenth century were allured by the promise of Champagne and Burgundy. Centuries earlier the Romans surprised the Alemanni (the Alemanni) at Châlons, reposing after raids and drinking "large draughts of rich and delicate wine." He chased them across the Rhine and hanged their king in chains.

Next, as to the German racial type. Here there may be misunderstanding. If there is a German race it must be represented not by a minority but a majority of the Germans. Now, a few are tall, long-headed, blond and blue-eyed. This minority belongs to Duinier's, Nordic race (otherwise Teutonic or Germanic); its home was the Baltic region and its members included the Norwegians, Swedes, Danes, Anglo-Saxons, and North-west Germans. To it belonged the Goths, Vandals, Lombards, Burgundians and other early tribes. Its present type today is found in Scotland, East England, Scandinavia, and Schleswig-Holstein. But of modern Germans, the vast majority are stockish, grey, or brown-eyed, and very broad in the chest. The Slavonians especially describe this "unimpaired square-jawed." The curious thing is that the majority of the population, from Bavaria to East Prussia, have been of this type from prehistoric times, as is proved by the excavations.

The mass of the Prussians are Lithuanian (Slav). There is probably still a Hunnish strain, left from the fifth-century occupation. The broad-headed Slav-like people of the greater part of Germany are, according to Ripley, descended from the prehistoric race whose round skulls have been dug up in abundance; they represent his homo Alpinus. Houston Stewart Chamberlain, however, does not admit that this race is found north of the Alps. Anyhow the round-heads extend, as they have done, for thousands of years, from Central France to the Urals.

In justice to Herr Chamberlain, it is to be noted that his big book is a eulogy not of the Germans, but of the "Germanic peoples," including—English, Scotch, Irish, Scandinavians, Dutch, Belgians, Germans, French Russians and Finns; in fact all Celtic, Nordic and Slav races. Half French, by the way, is as Teutonic as half German is Gallic. Chamberlain gives as much credit to great Englishmen and Frenchmen as to Germans. His aim is to prove that this coterie of sister peoples made the modern world, and is superior to all other races, especially in energy, independence, and loyalty. Of course he has proved his case.

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Mar. 1	ORIENTAL	Feb. 28	Feb. 28	MOLDAVIA	Mar. 13	Mar. 19
Mar. 1	MALTA	Feb. 28	Feb. 28	EGYPT	Mar. 27	Mar. 27
Mar. 1	SARDINIA	Mar. 8	Mar. 8	IMMEDIATA	Apr. 10	Apr. 16
Mar. 29	ORIENTAL	Mar. 22	Mar. 22	MONGOLIA	Apr. 24	Apr. 30
Apr. 12	MALTA	Mar. 15	Mar. 15	MALWA	May 8	May 14
Apr. 12	SARDINIA	Mar. 15	Mar. 15	MOREA	May 22	May 28
May 10	ORIENTAL	May 3	May 3	HALOIA	June 5	June 11
May 10	SARDINIA	May 3	May 3	MOULTAN	June 19	June 25

THE ATTENTION OF Passengers is drawn to the Accelerated Arrival of the Mail Steamers at Marseilles, Plymouth & London. These vessels will now arrive in Marseilles on Friday & London on the following Friday.

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO.

Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

FARES TO LONDON AND MARSEILLES

The Fares to London and Marseilles are as follows:—

1st SALOON	"A"	Accommodation	SINGLE	RETURN	2nd SALOON	"B"	Accommodation	SINGLE	RETURN
1st SALOON	"A"	Accommodation	SINGLE	RETURN	2nd SALOON	"B"	Accommodation	SINGLE	RETURN
1st SALOON	"A"	Accommodation	SINGLE	RETURN	2nd SALOON	"B"	Accommodation	SINGLE	RETURN
1st SALOON	"A"	Accommodation	SINGLE	RETURN	2nd SALOON	"B"	Accommodation	SINGLE	RETURN
1st SALOON	"A"	Accommodation	SINGLE	RETURN	2nd SALOON	"B"	Accommodation	SINGLE	RETURN

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MAIL STEAMERS
INTERMEDIATE (Non-Transit) STEAMERS
ARE RUN FOR

LONDON

CARRYING 1st and 2nd SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS:

STEAMER	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Due at	Due at
Yokohama	Shanghai	Hongkong	Swatow	Amoy	London	London
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NAMUR	Mar. 15	Mar. 26	Mar. 31	Apr. 6	May 4	May 12
NORE	Mar. 29	Apr. 9	Apr. 14	Apr. 20	May 18	May 27
NELLORE	Apr. 26	May 7	May 12	May 18	June 15	June 24
NAGOYA	May 10	May 21	May 26	June 1	June 29	July 8

These Steamers call also at PORT SWETTENHAM, PENANG, and COLOMBO.

1st SALOON £30 SINGLE: £75 RETURN.
2nd SALOON £20 SINGLE: £50 RETURN.
FARES TO MARSEILLES:
1st SALOON £45 Single.
2nd SALOON £30 Single.

All Passenger Steamers are fitted with the Marconi System of Wireless Telegraphy.
THE ABOVE RATES ARE SUBJECT TO A SURTAX OF 10%.
For further particulars apply to

E. A. HEWITT,
Superintendent.

INDIAN AFRICAN LINE

Cargo carried on through Bills of Lading from HONGKONG to BEIRA, DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN (Natal), EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and CAPE TOWN with transshipment at COLOMBO to Steamers of the INDIAN AFRICAN LINE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS

From Hongkong. Connecting with "GUJARAT" 17th March.
Excellent Accommodation for 1st and 2nd Class Passengers.

ORIENTAL AFRICAN LINE.

Regular Direct Service from JAPAN, CHINA and STRAITS to BEIRA, DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN, EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and CAPE TOWN, calling at MAURITIUS en route and affording the quickest Freight Transport from the ORIENT to SOUTH AFRICA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.

From Hongkong R.R. "SALAMIS" 5th March.

First Class Accommodation for Passengers.

Fitted with Wireless Telegraphy.

For Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.
MARSHALL AGENTS.

ELLERMAN LINE.

JAPAN, CHINA AND STRAITS

TO

MARSEILLES, LONDON & LIVERPOOL.

A frequent Service of Fast Cargo Steamers will be maintained between above ports commencing with the

"CITY OF DURHAM."

sailing from Hongkong on the 18th February to be followed by the "City of Corinth" and other high power steamers at frequent intervals.

For rates of freight and further information apply to

THE BANK LINE LTD.,

General Agents.

OAKLEY'S WELLINGTON KNIFE POLISH

BEST FOR CLEANING AND POLISHING CUTLERY, 2/6, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6, 11/6, 12/6, 13/6, 14/6, 15/6, 16/6, 17/6, 18/6, 19/6, 20/6, 21/6, 22/6, 23/6, 24/6, 25/6, 26/6, 27/6, 28/6, 29/6, 30/6, 31/6, 32/6, 33/6, 34/6, 35/6, 36/6, 37/6, 38/6, 39/6, 40/6, 41/6, 42/6, 43/6, 44/6, 45/6, 46/6, 47/6, 48/6, 49/6, 50/6, 51/6, 52/6, 53/6, 54/6, 55/6, 56/6, 57/6, 58/6, 59/6, 60/6, 61/6, 62/6, 63/6, 64/6, 65/6, 66/6, 67/6, 68/6, 69/6, 70/6, 71/6, 72/6, 73/6, 74/6, 75/6, 76/6, 77/6, 78/6, 79/6, 80/6, 81/6, 82/6, 83/6, 84/6, 85/6, 86/6, 87/6, 88/6, 89/6, 90/6, 91/6, 92/6, 93/6, 94/6, 95/6, 96/6, 97/6, 98/6, 99/6, 100/6.

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THE AMERICAN LINE TO TACOMA AND SEATTLE

in connection with
THE CHICAGO MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL RAILWAY
FOR VICTORIA B.C. AND
TACOMA VIA MANILA, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, AND YOKOHAMA.

S.S. "SEATTLE MARU" Capt. T. Saito. Monday, 22nd Feb. at 3 p.m.

S.S. "MEXICO MARU" Capt. N. Kobayashi. Saturday, 6th Mar. at 3 p.m.

These Newly-Built Steamers of American Line have fast speed and are fitted with the Wireless Apparatus. Best adapted rooms for carrying Silk, Treasure and Parcels.

FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.

S.S. "HOKKAI MARU" Capt. K. Murakami. Saturday, 20th Feb., at 7 a.m.

FOR FOCHOOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

S.S. "KAIJO MARU" Capt. Y. Yamamoto. Sunday, 14th Feb., at 8 a.m.

FOR TAMSUI AND KEELUNG VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

S.S. "DAIGI MARU" Capt. S. Tokunaga. Sunday, 14th Feb., at Noon.

S.S. "DALIN MARU" Capt. K. Murakami. Sunday, 21st Feb., at 10 a.m.

FOR ANPING AND TAKOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

S.S. "SOSHU MARU" Capt. K. Hattori. Wednesday, 17th Feb., at 8 a.m.

These Steamers of Coast and Formosa Line have excellent accommodation for first class passengers and are fitted with Electric Light and Fans. These Steamers will arrive at and depart from the Soon Yip Wharf near the Harbour Office.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, APPLY TO:—

Y. ASAI, Manager,
Second Floor No. 1, Queen's Building.

THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP CO. LIMITED

MAIL SERVICE

TO AUSTRALIA, via MANILA

MAIL SCHEDULE

SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION

STEAMERS	ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA	LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA
ALDENHAM	February 18th	February 18th, at 11 a.m.
ST. ALBANS	February 18th	

These Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State Rooms have Electric Fans. A daily qualified Doctor and Stewards are carried. For further particulars, apply to

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Reduced First Class Fares.

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CAPACITY 23,000 TONS. 20,715 TONS GROSS REGISTER. LENGTH 630 FEET.

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Sails from Hongkong 27th March, at Noon.

FOR SEATTLE VIA MANILA, NAGASAKI, INLAND SEA, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

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Hongkong	Manila	2 30
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